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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Bruno GHYSELEN et al.

Confirmation No. 9064

Application No: 10/637,094

Group Art Unit: 2812

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Examiner: Thanh V. Pham

For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR

ADJUSTING THE THICKNESS OF A LAYER

OF SEMICONDUCTOR MATERIAL

Atty. Docket No.: 4717-6300

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication responds to the Office Action dated May 3, 2005, concerning the above-identified application.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

A petition for an extension of time for one month from August 3, 2005 to September 3, 2005 is filed concurrently herewith. No additional fee is believed due with this Amendment. Please charge any fee deemed necessary (and refund any overpayments) to Winston & Strawn, LLP Deposit Account No. 50-1814.